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IN RE APPLICATION OF: Junichi KITANO, et al.

GAU: Unassigned

SERIAL NO: New Divisional Application

EXAMINER: Unassigned

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REQUEST FOR PRIORITY

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SIR:

☒ Full benefit of the filing date of U.S. Application Serial Number 09/772,923, filed January 31, 2001, is claimed pursuant to the provisions of **35 U.S.C. §120**.

☐ Full benefit of the filing date(s) of U.S. Provisional Application(s) is claimed pursuant to the provisions of **35 U.S.C. §119(e)**: Application No. Date Filed

☒ Applicants claim any right to priority from any earlier filed applications to which they may be entitled pursuant to the provisions of **35 U.S.C. §119**, as noted below.

In the matter of the above-identified application for patent, notice is hereby given that the applicants claim as priority:

<u>COUNTRY</u>	<u>APPLICATION NUMBER</u>	<u>MONTH/DAY/YEAR</u>
Japan	2000-024221	February 1, 2000
Japan	2000-038509	February 16, 2000
Japan	2000-133304	May 2, 2000
Japan	2000-137509	May 10, 2000

Certified copies of the corresponding Convention Application(s)

☐ are submitted herewith

☐ will be submitted prior to payment of the Final Fee

☒ were filed in prior application Serial No. 09/772,923 filed January 31, 2001

☐ were submitted to the International Bureau in PCT Application Number
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☐ (A) Application Serial No.(s) were filed in prior application Serial No. filed ; and

☐ (B) Application Serial No.(s)

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